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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 1254 |
| By: Wray |
| Culture, Recreation & Tourism |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  Interested parties note the historical importance of the Waxahachie Chautauqua auditorium. H.B. 1254 seeks to recognize this auditorium and its significance in the local community by designating July 26 as Waxahachie Chautauqua Day. |
| **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**  It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision. |
| **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**  It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution. |
| **ANALYSIS**  H.B. 1254 amends the Government Code to designate July 26 as Waxahachie Chautauqua Day in recognition of the Waxahachie Chautauqua auditorium and to promote the history of Chautauqua, the role Chautauqua plays in preserving communities, and the educational and cultural opportunities Chautauqua offers through community programs. The bill requires Waxahachie Chautauqua Day to be regularly observed by appropriate programs and activities. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE**  September 1, 2017. |